State-wise and town-wise details of Central assistance released are given in the enclosed Annexure. [*See* Appendix 195 Annexure No. 30]

Encroachment on Government land in Delhi

†3070. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:
SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that encroachment on Government land in Delhi is still going on;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any action against the encroachers; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) There have been instances of encroachment on vacant Government land. However, detection of, and action against encroachment is a continuous process and action against encroachers are taken under the relevant laws. The Ministry has also urged land owning agencies from time to time, to remain vigilant and protect their lands from encroachment.

Unemployed persons in small and medium towns

†3071. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ascertained the number of unemployed persons in small and medium towns;

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(b) if so, the number of small and medium towns in each State of the country; and

(c) the percentage of unemployed persons assessed in these towns in each State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir. National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) have released latest data on employment and unemployment situation in cities and towns in India pertained to the year July 1999-June 2000 (NSS 55th round).

(b) A Statement showing the number of small and medium towns in the country, State-wise, as per 1991 census is placed at Annexure. [*See* Appendix 195 Annexure No. 31]

(c) A detailed Statement as provided by NSSO is placed at Annexure. [*See* Appendix 195 Annexure No. 32]

Possession of DDA flats

†3072. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in spite of completion of the construction of thousands of residential dwellings by DDA, allottees have not taken possessions thereof;

(b) if so, the total number of such dwellings till March, 2001; and

(c) the total amount spent for the construction thereof and the reasons for not taking possession of these dwellings by the allottees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The Delhi

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